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**FROM BENEDICT CALVERT, ESQ.**

MOUNT AIRY Augt. 25. 1773.

[A Copy.]

DEAR SIR,

I rec'd yours by Major Jennifer at Annapolis and have given orders to my deputy to look out for such a person as you want. He tells me that Tradesmen well recommended sell very high. I have desired him to buy none but such. I was in hopes to have had the pleasure of attending the Govt. to Mt Vernon; but some business at my office on the Eastern Shore obliged me to set off on Sunday. I expect to be back the last of next week. If you have any commands there, shall be glad to execute them. I am very much obliged to you for the wheat you were so kind as to spare me—I wish mine in return had been better. Every body here joins in their respectful Compliments—Nelly who goes with the Govr will deliver hers in person.

I am, Dr Sir, Yr most obedt. BENEDT. CALVERT.